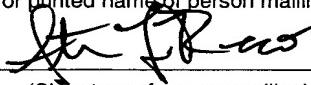


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Prior to examination of the above-identified U.S. national phase application of International Application No. PCT/JP2005/014447, filed August 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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